

Newsletter



Strengthen Your Foundation: Elder Abuse Facts

Equip yourself with the definitions, types, and signs of elder abuse

Types of Elder Abuse



Emotional Abuse →



Financial Abuse →



Neglect →

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Recognize Abuser Characteristics

- Financial Abuse >
- Neglect >
- Physical Abuse >
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- Elder Death >
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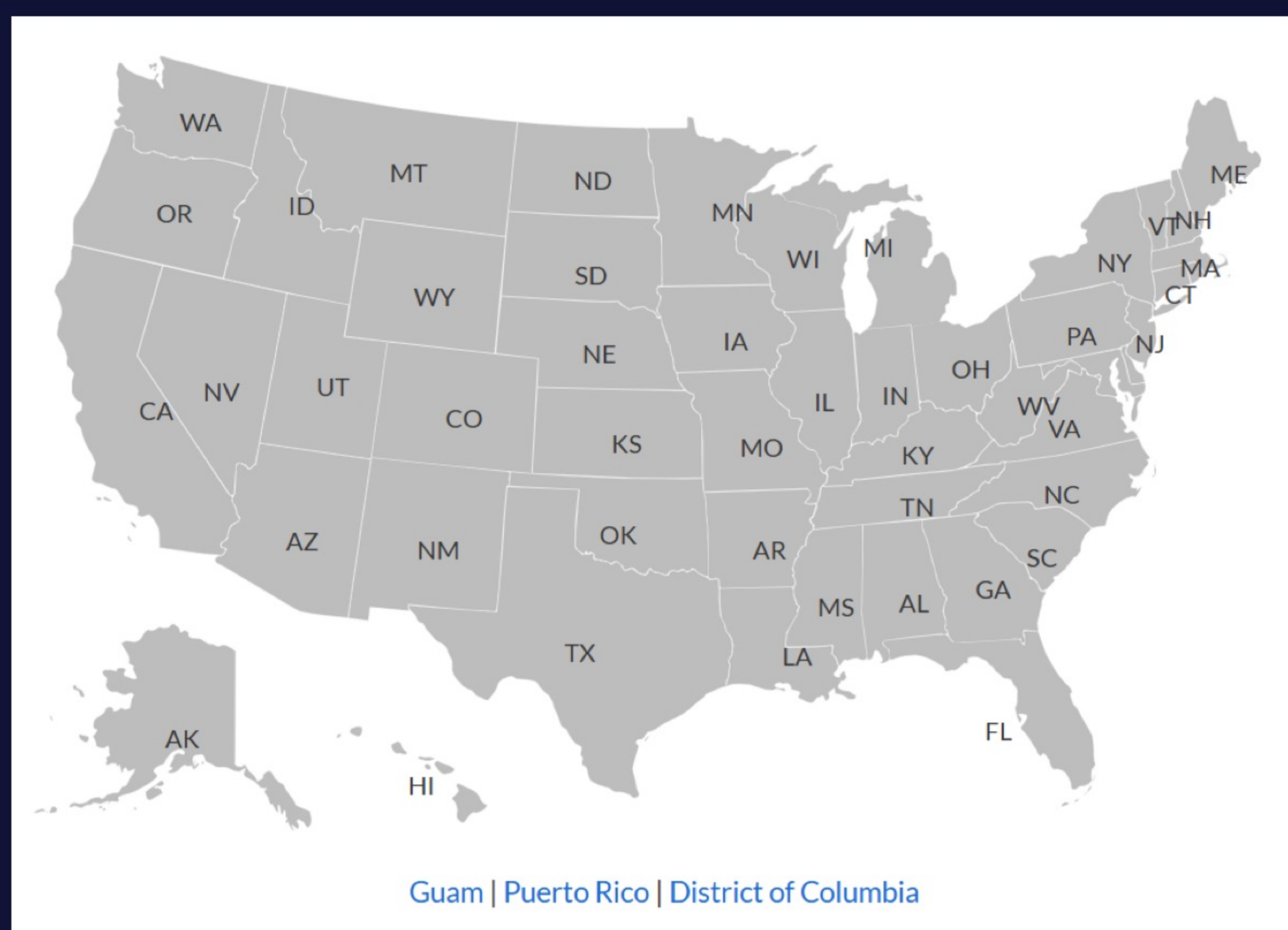


How to Recognize Abusers

- Many abusers have a prior criminal record
- Approximately 50% have drug or alcohol-related issues
- Many have no means of support aside from the alleged victim's housing, pension, social security checks
- May not want victim interviewed alone and appear controlling

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Access Your State's Statutes on Elder Abuse



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[Locate State Laws](#)

NEW! Train Law Enforcement Students on the Facts of Elder Abuse

What Law Enforcement Students Need to Know About Elder Abuse

As a law enforcement officer encountering older adults on patrol, while responding to radio calls, conducting welfare checks, and investigating potential crimes, you are in a unique position to identify, intervene, and respond in cases of elder abuse.

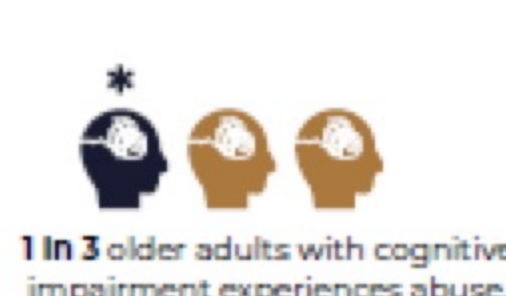
What is Elder Abuse?

Elder abuse is defined by state statute. In general, it is an intentional act or failure to act that causes or creates a risk of harm to an older adult. Types of elder mistreatment include physical, sexual, emotional/psychological, or financial abuse, and neglect. Multiple forms of mistreatment can co-occur.

What Does Elder Abuse Look Like?

Elder abuse can present in many ways. Examples include an adult son who beats his older parent or threatens a parent with harm; a spouse who neglects their partner who has advanced dementia and leaves the partner lying in their own waste for days, without care; an agent under power of attorney who steals an older person's retirement funds; and a direct care worker who sexually assaults an older adult in a residential care facility.

Did You Know?



Only 1 in 24 cases of elder abuse is reported.

[Guide for Students](#)

Webinars



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